

## SENATE.

THURSDAY, January 3, 1918.

The Chaplain, Rev. Forrest J. Prettyman, D. D., offered the following prayer:

Almighty God, in Thy great goodness Thou hast brought us to the beginning of a new year. Thou hast enabled us to write one of the fairest and greatest pages in the history of the whole world in the year that has gone. We bless Thee that Thou hast led us through the year with unity of spirit and with devotion to the great and high ideals to which this Nation has been consecrated.

We pray Thee that as we begin the new year we may begin it under the inspiration and guidance of God alone. Let Thy blessing rest upon every man whom Thou hast called to a place of influence in this Nation, that they may feel the support and interest and cooperation of all the citizenship, that we may continue the unity of spirit and purpose and effort until success comes to our enterprise.

We miss the genial face to-day of one of our colleagues in this Chamber whom Thou hast called to the great Beyond. We thank Thee for the wide influence, for the friendship, for the inspiration of his life. We pray that Thy blessing may rest upon the inner circle of his loved ones and that his memory may abide as an inspiration to us all in this Chamber.

Now, God our Father, guide us by Thy counsel. Give to us the continual influence of Thy Spirit. Bring us to the end of our great national enterprise for the establishment of peace and brotherhood in the earth. For Christ's sake. Amen.

The Secretary proceeded to read the Journal of the proceedings of Tuesday, December 18, 1917, when, on request of Mr. MARTIN and by unanimous consent, the further reading was dispensed with and the Journal was approved.

## DEATH OF SENATOR FRANCIS G. NEWLANDS.

Mr. MARTIN. Mr. President, in the absence of the Senator from Nevada [Mr. PITTMAN] and acting in accordance with a request from him sent to me by wire—and I should say that Senator PITTMAN's absence is due to a delayed train on which he is now traveling to Washington—it becomes my duty to make public announcement on the floor of the Senate of the death of the senior Senator from Nevada, Senator NEWLANDS. I ask that the telegram received from Senator PITTMAN may be printed in the RECORD.

The telegram referred to is as follows:

CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA., January 3, 1918.

Senator MARTIN,  
United States Senate, Washington, D. C.:

My train is five hours late. Should I not arrive in time, may I beg you to move an adjournment in respect for the memory of our late colleague, Senator FRANCIS G. NEWLANDS? In his death our State and our Government has lost one of its foremost statesmen. He won the affection of his friends by his ever gentle, genial, and considerate manner, and commanded the admiration of all by the power of his statesmanship. His loss is mourned by all in our State. At the proper time I will ask that a day be set apart in which tribute may fittingly be paid to his memory.

KEY PITTMAN.

Mr. MARTIN. I think, Mr. President, I can safely say that Senator NEWLANDS was not only held in high regard but affectionate regard by every Senator on the floor of this body. In addition to our personal loss, Mr. President, I feel that I should also add that the death of Senator NEWLANDS in this crisis of our history is a great public loss. His familiarity with the subject which is now engrossing the attention of the country made his services peculiarly desirable and efficient. But it has pleased the Almighty to call him from our midst, and all we can do is to bow humbly to that decree.

Later on a day, of course, will be fixed when proper tribute may be paid to the memory of this distinguished Member of this body. In the meantime, Mr. President, I send to the desk resolutions, which I ask may have immediate consideration.

The VICE PRESIDENT. The resolutions will be read.

The resolutions (S. Res. 173) were read, considered by unanimous consent, and unanimously agreed to, as follows:

*Resolved*, That the Senate has heard with profound sorrow of the death of the Hon. FRANCIS G. NEWLANDS, late a Senator from the State of Nevada.

*Resolved*, That the Secretary communicate these resolutions to the House of Representatives and transmit a copy thereof to the family of the deceased.

Mr. MARTIN. Mr. President, as a further mark of respect to the memory of our deceased colleague, I move that the Senate do now adjourn.

The motion was unanimously agreed to; and (at 12 o'clock and 5 minutes p. m.) the Senate adjourned until to-morrow, Friday, January 4, 1918, at 12 o'clock meridian.

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

THURSDAY, January 3, 1918.

The House met at 12 o'clock noon.

The Chaplain, Rev. Henry N. Couden, D. D., offered the following prayer:

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, whose invisible hand guides the stars, which mark the flight of time, Thou hast brought us to the beginning of a new year, with its hopes and ever-widening possibilities.

The past is ours by inheritance and by our personal experience. The future is a closed book. Help us by the wisdom of the past, its mistakes and defeats, that with calmness and serenity we may read the pages of the future, as they are unfolded, with fortitude, courage, and vigor.

As the sun rose upon the new year it looked down upon a world of strife, carnage, brutality, and heart-rending suffering and sorrow. Grant, O most merciful Father, that amid all we may cling to Thee in faith as our refuge and our strength, for faith is truer than doubt, truth is mightier than the sword, right is stronger than might, and love shall live when the stars have all gone out.

May the duty well done to-day strengthen us for the duties of the to-morrow, and may the achievements of the past inspire us to the new achievements which the future hath in store for the faithful.

Since we last met two Members of the congressional family have crossed the river of death; peace be to their souls, and the consolation of faith, hope, and love sustain their colleagues, friends, and bereaved families. In His name. Amen.

The Journal of the proceedings of Tuesday, December 18, 1917, was read and approved.

## EXTENSION OF REMARKS.

Mr. BORLAND. Mr. Speaker—

The SPEAKER. For what purpose does the gentleman from Missouri rise?

Mr. BORLAND. I rise to ask leave to extend my remarks in the RECORD.

Mr. McARTHUR. Reserving the right to object, on what question?

Mr. BORLAND. On the question of war efficiency.

Mr. WALSH. Mr. Speaker, I do not think that is a very good way to start out the new year, and I shall object.

Mr. BORLAND. I hope the gentleman will not object. This is purely original matter.

## ORDER OF BUSINESS.

Mr. KITCHIN. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the order of business for to-day, which is the bill H. R. 7731, be made the continuing order for to-morrow, immediately after the reading of the Journal, until finished. I do this because the House in all probability will adjourn as a mark of respect to the late Senator NEWLANDS and the late Representative BATHRICK, who died during the recess holiday.

The SPEAKER. Week before last week the House by unanimous consent made the bill H. R. 7731 the special order for to-day. The gentleman from North Carolina [Mr. KITCHIN] asks unanimous consent that that order be transferred until to-morrow.

Mr. KITCHIN. And be the continuing order.

The SPEAKER. And be the continuing order to-morrow. Is there objection? [After a pause.] The Chair hears none.

## RESIGNATION FROM COMMITTEE.

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following communication.

The Clerk read as follows:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
December 24, 1917.

Hon. CHAMP CLARK,  
Speaker of House of Representatives.

MY DEAR MR. SPEAKER: I hereby tender my resignation from the Committee on Coinage, Weights, and Measures, the same to take effect immediately.

Yours, very truly,

B. C. HILLIARD.

The SPEAKER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

There was no objection.

## RESIGNATION OF MEMBER FROM HOUSE.

The SPEAKER also laid before the House the following notification of resignation from the House.

The Clerk read as follows:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
Washington, D. C., December 31, 1917.

To the SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

SIR: I have to-day transmitted to the governor of the State of New York my resignation as a Representative in Congress of the United States from the twenty-first district of New York, to take effect January 1, 1918.

Respectfully, yours,

MURRAY HULBERT.

The SPEAKER. The communication will be filed in the archives of the House.

#### LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

By unanimous consent, leaves of absence were granted as follows:

To Mr. CRISP, until Monday next, on account of illness in his family.

To Mr. GREENE of Massachusetts, for one week, on account of illness in his family.

To Mr. IRELAND, for 10 days, on account of important business.

To Mr. CLARK of Pennsylvania, for one week, on account of illness in his family.

To Mr. COOPER of Wisconsin (at the request of Mr. BROWNE), for three days, on account of important business.

#### ARMED FORCES OF THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

Mr. DENT. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent for the present consideration of the bill (H. R. 7697) authorizing the calling into the service of the United States the militia and other locally created armed forces in the Philippine Islands, and for other purposes.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from Alabama asks unanimous consent for the present consideration of the bill H. R. 7697. Is there objection?

Mr. LITTLE. Mr. Speaker, reserving the right to object, does that include the Philippine Constabulary?

Mr. DENT. It does.

Mr. LITTLE. How many are there, if the gentleman knows, in the Philippine Constabulary?

Mr. DENT. There are 5,200 in the constabulary and 5,500 in the scouts, and they have about 6,000 in the militia, which is organized under the act passed by the Filipino Legislature substantially in the form of the national-defense act of June 3, 1916. They propose by this bill to recruit these forces up to a full division, so as to tender to the Government of the United States a division of about 27,000 officers and men, one-third of whom, at least, will be officered by American officers.

Mr. AUSTIN. May I ask the gentleman if we are going to retain any standing army in the Philippine Islands in the absence of these Philippine troops?

Mr. DENT. Of course this bill does not cover that. That will be a matter for the executive government to decide. But I will state to the gentleman from Tennessee that all of the evidence before the Committee on Military Affairs showed very clearly that there was absolute peace and contentment in the Philippine Islands, and that the object of this act on the part of the Filipinos is to show their gratitude and loyalty to the Government of the United States. [Applause.]

Mr. AUSTIN. Which Government bears the expense incident to this?

Mr. DENT. Of course the Government of the United States will. It will have to feed them just as it does all other soldiers that we have in the service.

Mr. TOWNER. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. DENT. With pleasure.

Mr. TOWNER. It might be added for the information of the House that this militia has been organized since the war. It is in direct contemplation of the Philippine Islanders of being called into the service. It was altogether a voluntary offer on the part of the people of the Philippine Islands.

Mr. DENT. The gentleman is entirely correct about that.

Mr. LITTLE. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. DENT. Yes.

Mr. LITTLE. Who are to be the regimental officers, Americans or Filipinos?

Mr. DENT. The higher officers will be Americans.

Mr. LITTLE. But the colonels, the battalion commanders, and regimental commanders?

Mr. DENT. As I understand it, most of them will be Americans. I can not answer the gentleman definitely about that.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection?

There was no objection.

The SPEAKER. This bill is on the Union Calendar.

Mr. DENT. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the bill be considered in the House as in Committee of the Whole.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from Alabama asks unanimous consent that the bill be considered in the House as in Committee of the Whole. Is there objection?

There was no objection.

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will read the bill.

The Clerk read as follows:

A bill (H. R. 7697) to authorize the calling into the service of the United States the militia and other locally created armed forces in the Philippine Islands, and for other purposes.

*Be it enacted, etc.,* That the militia and other locally created armed forces in the Philippine Islands may be called into the service of the United States, and all members thereof may be drafted into said service and organized in such manner as is or may be provided by law for calling or drafting the National Guard into said service, and shall in all respects while therein be upon the same footing with members of the National Guard so called or drafted: *Provided,* The pay and allowances of officers and men of the Philippine Militia and other locally created armed forces in the Philippine Islands called into the service of the United States under the provisions of this act when serving in the Philippine Islands shall in no case exceed the pay and allowances for corresponding grades of Philippine Scouts.

With a committee amendment, as follows:

Amend, page 1, line 10, by inserting, after the word "*Provided,*" the word "*That,*"

The SPEAKER. The question is on agreeing to the committee amendment.

The committee amendment was agreed to.

The SPEAKER. The question is on agreeing to the bill as amended.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, was read the third time, and passed.

On motion of Mr. DENT, a motion to reconsider the vote whereby the bill was passed was laid on the table.

Mr. DENT. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to extend my remarks in the RECORD by printing a statement of the facts relative to the bill that has just been passed.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from Alabama asks unanimous consent to extend his remarks in the RECORD. Is there objection?

There was no objection.

Mr. DENT. Mr. Speaker, I submit the following statement of facts, together with letter of Bishop Brent and letter of Gen. Frank McIntyre, printed in the report:

The Filipino troops in the Philippine Islands consist of National Guard, Philippine Constabulary, and Philippine Scouts.

The National Guard and constabulary are locally organized troops.

The Philippine Scouts are part of the Regular Army of the United States.

The constabulary consists of 106 companies, 361 officers, and 5,201 enlisted men.

The Philippine Scouts consist of 52 companies, 170 officers, and 5,570 enlisted men.

The National Guard is organized under the militia act of the Philippine Islands, and complies, as far as possible, with the provisions of the national-defense act of July 3, 1916, all the objectionable features in National Guard organizations in the United States having been eliminated.

Section 7 of the militia act of the Philippine Islands provides that the organized militia, under the designation of the "National Guard," shall constitute a general headquarters and a complete division under the command of a major general.

Section 8 provides that immediately after the passage of the act the Governor General be authorized to organize, equip, and muster a general headquarters and a provisional division. These general headquarters and a provisional division have been organized, and the provisional division is now in active training. The provisional division was organized under Executive Order No. 35, dated April 12, 1917, with the various units located at the main towns throughout the islands.

The school for officers and noncommissioned officers of the National Guard was organized on Saturday, July 21, under Col. Lincoln Andrews, Ninth United States Cavalry, with other officers of the Regular Service as assistants, and for infantry officers continued until October 1 in the camp located on the water front in Manila, the work for the artillery officers being continued in that branch at Camp Stotsenberg under Col. Oliver L. Spaulding, of the Field Artillery, United States Army, until October 15.

Immediately on the expiration of the different schools, the different units of the division were formed at the several towns throughout the islands and active training of the enlisted men began. The entire National Guard is now in training under the supervision of Regular Army officers, scout officers, and constabulary officers of ability and experience.

It is proposed to organize the scouts, the constabulary, and the National Guard into a full division of troops under the new Tables of Organization, which require some 27,000 officers and men. The scouts and constabulary are old organizations of the



very highest experience and efficiency, they having been from their inception under the instruction and command of some of the best officers of the United States Army.

The National Guard is newer, and consists of the very flower of the Filipino youth of the islands. The greatest interest and enthusiasm has been exhibited by the officers and men enrolled therein. The officers of the division will consist of the present officers of the National Guard, officers from the constabulary and Philippine Scouts, and officers of the Reserve Corps located in the Philippine Islands. The officers will consist of Americans and Filipinos. It is proposed that from 25 per cent to 33½ per cent—and these the more responsible officers—will be Americans, and the balance Filipinos. This would necessitate some 300 American officers and 600 Filipino officers. In the organizations above enumerated there are some 600 Americans, and the very best of them will be selected for the division. In order that the division may come up to the required number, the governors of the different Provinces will be required to assemble at their provincial capitals five days before the date draft becomes effective twice the number of volunteers that would be required, and from these the extra men necessary to make up the new division will be selected. Recruiting officers and doctors from these headquarters will be sent in time to arrive there five days before the draft to make the selection and physical examination. In this manner the complete personnel of the division can be taken over to the department commander of the United States Army upon date of the draft.

For sites for the final organization of the division either Fort McKinley or Camp Stotsenberg would be ideal, Camp Stotsenberg being the better during the wet season, but Fort McKinley the more desirable on account of the splendid transportation facilities. There are quarters in McKinley for 8,000 enlisted men, and cantonments for the balance could be erected within 30 days; but as there will be six months of dry season from now on the lightest construction would be all that would be at present necessary.

Medical supplies: There is on hand in the medical supply depot, United States Army, in Manila, six months' supply for 20,000 men and families, or a total of 45,000 people. This does not include field equipment, which is in the hands of different departmental surgeons, sufficient for approximately 14,000 men more.

Equipment: There is on hand in the department reserve equipment for a regiment of Cavalry at war strength, equipment for two Mountain Gun Artillery battalions at Camp Stotsenberg and the machine gun, besides the complete equipment of Corregidor.

Engineer equipment: There is about 80 per cent in the engineer equipment necessary for a regiment, less tool wagons, which can be made in the islands; the other 20 per cent can also be made there.

Field equipment: There is enough field equipment on hand, such as field ranges and kitchen utensils, etc., for 15,000 men.

Clothing: There is on hand sufficient clothing for half of the division and some 4,000 woolen blankets. The shoes can be made locally by the Exchange Shoe Co. and the United States Shoe Co. Leggings in any quantity can be furnished if material is supplied. There is sufficient olive drab cotton cloth on hand in Manila to make 24,000 uniforms.

ORIENTAL NEWS AND COMMENT.—FILIPINOS MAKE ACTIVE WAR PREPARATIONS—BISHOP BRENT GIVES GLOWING PICTURE OF FILIPINO INTEREST IN WAR—IF NOT IN FRANCE, HE SAYS, THEY COULD SERVE ADVANTAGEOUSLY ON MEXICAN BORDER.

The Rt. Rev. Charles H. Brent, former bishop of the Philippine Islands, who has just accepted the call of the bishopric of western New York, brings us a glowing picture of Filipino interest in Uncle Sam's war, an interest which has been evidenced from the beginning in subscription to liberty bonds, cooperation in Mr. Hoover's food campaign, and intensive farming, and the offer of a submarine and destroyer. Bishop Brent tells us particularly of the training of an army and the eagerness of the Filipinos to see active service.

"There has been an offer made by the Philippine Government," says Bishop Brent, "to provide a division of troops, Filipinos, a total of 19,000 or 20,000 men, for the United States Army. Large numbers of men are in training to form the division. There are already 5,000 Filipinos in service, known as scouts, and they are excellent soldiers."

"This offer is a notable thing for the Filipinos to do, considering their former attitude toward the United States. They offer their services in France, but if they can not be utilized with the Army there owing to the cold climate, to which they are not accustomed, they could be placed on the Mexican border most likely to the great advantage of our Government. The Filipinos are entirely in sympathy with our Government in this war and are anxious to do anything they can to serve the cause of democracy and freedom which has done so much for them; and the Governor General and officials are enthusiastic about giving men and aid to the United States."

"The Filipinos would give our country this great advantage along the Mexican border; they could talk with the Mexicans in their own language; they could tell the Mexicans what the United States has done for them, could explain the true attitude of our Government toward them and their country, and, I believe, could become a great peace-making and peacekeeping force. The scouts are commanded by American officers, principally, with some troops in command of their own men, and they are rated as excellent soldiers by Army commanders who know their work and its value."

Bishop Brent is at present in France, at the request of Gen. Pershing, working with the Y. M. C. A. among the American soldiers. It is not as yet reported when he will take up his work as bishop of western New York.

WAR DEPARTMENT,  
BUREAU OF INSULAR AFFAIRS,  
Washington, December 8, 1917.

MY DEAR MR. DENT: At the last session of Congress there was included in bills introduced by you and by the chairman of the Senate Committee on Military Affairs a provision authorizing the President of the United States to call into the service of the United States and make use of certain military forces organized by the Philippine Government under an act of the Philippine Legislature.

These bills included many other sections, many of the important provisions of which were included in the bill to increase the Military Establishment of the United States. It is possible, therefore, that these bills will not again come up for consideration. The section, however, authorizing the utilization of the Philippine troops is most important, and I hope that it will be possible to introduce it as a separate measure and that it may be passed early in this session.

The Philippine government has gone forward as rapidly as possible in organizing its troops, has followed, in so far as practicable, the steps taken in the United States with reference to officers' training camps and other details of instruction, and that Government is naturally desirous that its efforts be recognized as soon as possible and that the men will receive that encouragement which can only come with a knowledge that their efforts are to be made use of.

The provision to carry out the approved recommendation of the War Department should be as follows:

"That the militia and other locally created armed forces in the Philippine Islands may be called into the service of the United States, and all members thereof may be drafted into said service and organized in such manner as is or may be provided by law for calling or drafting the National Guard into said service, and shall in all respects while therein be upon the same footing with members of the National Guard so called or drafted: *Provided*, That the pay and allowances of officers and men of the Philippine Militia and other locally created armed forces in the Philippine Islands called into the service of the United States under the provisions of the section when serving in the Philippine Islands shall in no case exceed the pay and allowances for corresponding grades of Philippine Scouts."

I hope that it may be possible to introduce a bill in this form promptly. Its early passage would have a most beneficial effect in the Philippine Islands, where the people have shown a most earnest desire to be of assistance to the United States in the present emergency.

Very sincerely,

FRANK MCINTYRE, *Chief of Bureau.*

HON. S. HUBERT DENT, JR.,  
*Chairman Committee on Military Affairs,  
House of Representatives.*

LEAVE TO ADDRESS THE HOUSE.

Mr. STEENERSON. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that on next Monday, after the address of the gentleman from Illinois [Mr. McCormick], my colleague [Mr. Knutson] be given 15 minutes in which to address the House in relation to the military camps which he has recently visited.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from Minnesota asks unanimous consent that on next Monday, at the conclusion of the remarks of the gentleman from Illinois [Mr. McCormick], his colleague [Mr. Knutson] shall have 15 minutes in which to address the House. Is there objection?

There was no objection.

Mr. GILLET. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that after the conclusion of Mr. Knutson's remarks Mr. Treadway, of Massachusetts, have the privilege of addressing the House for five minutes. If it is desired to know the subject, the subject is his predecessor in the House.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from Massachusetts asks unanimous consent that at the conclusion of the remarks of Mr. Knutson, on next Monday, the gentleman from Massachusetts [Mr. Treadway] be permitted to address the House for not to exceed five minutes. Is there objection?

There was no objection.

COMMITTEE ON WOMAN SUFFRAGE.

Mr. RAKER. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent for the present consideration of the resolution which I send to the Speaker's desk.

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will report it.

The Clerk read as follows:

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Woman Suffrage be, and is hereby, granted leave to sit during the session of the House.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection?

Mr. WALSH. Reserving the right to object, Mr. Speaker—

The SPEAKER. Does the gentleman object?

Mr. WALSH. I want to ask the gentleman from California [Mr. Raker] a question. On what measures and for what purposes will the committee sit?

Mr. RAKER. On the bills and resolutions that are properly before it.

Mr. WALSH. Is it the intention of the committee to hold any sessions before action is had upon the suffrage resolution?

Mr. RAKER. We had a session this morning, commencing at 10 o'clock, and we adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon; and if we can get permission—

Mr. AUSTIN. Can the gentleman arrange it so that the gentleman from Massachusetts [Mr. WALSH] can be present at all the sittings? [Laughter.]

Mr. WALSH. I object.

Mr. RAKER. I hope the gentleman will not object.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from Massachusetts objects, and that is the end of it.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—DEATH OF SENATOR NEWLANDS, OF NEVADA.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Waldorf, its enrolling clerk, announced that the Senate had passed the following resolutions:

*Resolved*, That the Senate has heard with profound sorrow of the death of the Hon. FRANCIS G. NEWLANDS, late a Senator from the State of Nevada.

*Resolved*, That the Secretary communicate these resolutions to the House of Representatives and transmit a copy thereof to the family of the deceased.

*Resolved*, That as a further mark of respect to the memory of the deceased the Senate do now adjourn.

Mr. ROBERTS. Mr. Speaker, it is my solemn and painful duty to announce the death of the Hon. FRANCIS GRIFFITH NEWLANDS, late a Senator from the State of Nevada, and formerly for many years a Member of this House. I shall ask at some later date that a day be set apart for Members of this House to pay a fitting tribute to his memory as a citizen and as a public servant. I offer the following resolutions.

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will report it.

The Clerk read as follows:

House resolution 207.

*Resolved*, That the House has heard with profound sorrow of the death of Hon. FRANCIS GRIFFITH NEWLANDS, late a Senator from the State of Nevada.

*Resolved*, That the Clerk communicate these resolutions to the Senate and transmit a copy thereof to the family of the deceased.

The resolutions were unanimously agreed to.

DEATH OF REPRESENTATIVE BATHRICK.

Mr. SHERWOOD. Mr. Speaker, I rise to announce to the House the end of the earthly career of Hon. ELLSWORTH R. BATHRICK, late a Representative from the fourteenth district of Ohio. On some future occasion we hope to pay a fitting tribute to his memory. I offer the following resolutions.

The Clerk read as follows:

House resolution 203.

*Resolved*, That the House has heard with profound sorrow of the death of Hon. ELLSWORTH R. BATHRICK, late a Representative from the State of Ohio.

*Resolved*, That the Clerk communicate these resolutions to the Senate and transmit a copy thereof to the family of the deceased.

*Resolved*, That as a further mark of respect to the deceased this House do now adjourn.

The resolutions were unanimously agreed to.

ADJOURNMENT.

In accordance with the resolution, the House (at 12 o'clock and 29 minutes p. m.) adjourned until to-morrow, Friday, January 4, 1918, at 12 o'clock noon.

#### EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of Rule XXIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

1. A letter from the Acting Secretary of the Navy, transmitting tentative draft of a provision of legislation for inclusion in an appropriation bill to be enacted during the present session of Congress (H. Doc. No. 671); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

2. A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting a copy of a communication from the Secretary of War submitting a deficiency estimate of appropriation required by the Provost Marshal General for administration of the selective-service law for the fiscal year 1918 (H. Doc. No. 672); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

3. A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting supplemental estimates of appropriations required for additional clerical force in the office of the Auditor for the State and Other Departments for the fiscal years 1918 and 1919 (H. Doc. No. 673); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

4. A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting copy of a communication from the Secretary of War submitting a supplemental estimate of appropriations required for the Medical Department of the Army for the fiscal year 1918 (H. Doc. No. 684); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

5. A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting copy of a letter from the United States Employees' Compensation

Commission submitting a supplemental estimate of appropriation required for the salaries and expenses of the commission for the fiscal year 1918 (H. Doc. No. 685); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

6. A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting copy of a communication from the Librarian of Congress submitting a supplemental estimate of appropriation required for legislative reference work for the fiscal year 1918 (H. Doc. No. 686); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

7. A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting copy of a communication from the Librarian of Congress submitting a supplemental estimate of appropriation for printing and binding for the fiscal year 1918 (H. Doc. No. 687); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

8. A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting copy of a communication from the Secretary of War submitting a supplementary estimate of appropriation required for payment of postage on official matter addressed to postal-union countries for the fiscal year 1918 (H. Doc. No. 688); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

9. A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting certain estimates of appropriations for public buildings, etc., and for certain of the annual appropriations under the control of the Supervising Architect of the Treasury Department (H. Doc. No. 689); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

10. A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting copy of a communication from the Secretary of Agriculture submitting a supplemental estimate of appropriation required by the Department of Agriculture for the purchase and sale of seeds to farmers (H. Doc. No. 691); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

11. A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting copy of a communication from the Secretary of State submitting supplemental estimates of appropriations required by the State Department for the service for the fiscal year 1918 (H. Doc. No. 692); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

12. A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting copy of a communication from the Postmaster General submitting a supplemental estimate of appropriation required by the Post Office Department for fuel, repairs, etc., for the fiscal year 1918 (H. Doc. No. 693); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

13. A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting copy of a communication from the United States Food Administrator submitting a supplemental estimate of appropriation required by the United States Food Administration for salaries and expenses for the fiscal year 1918 (H. Doc. No. 694); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

14. A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting copy of a communication from the Attorney General submitting additional estimates of appropriations required by the Department of Justice and the United States courts for the fiscal year 1918 (H. Doc. No. 695); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

15. A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury transmitting copy of a communication from the Secretary of War submitting supplemental estimates of appropriation required by the War Department for the fiscal year 1919 (H. Doc. No. 696); to the Committee on Military Affairs and ordered to be printed.

16. A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting copy of a communication from the Secretary of Commerce submitting supplemental estimates of appropriations required by the Department of Commerce for the fiscal year 1918 (H. Doc. No. 697); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

17. A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting copy of a communication from the Board of Commissioners of the District of Columbia submitting additional estimates of appropriations required by the District of Columbia for the fiscal year 1918 (H. Doc. No. 698); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

18. A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting a tentative draft of legislation to be incorporated in the urgent deficiency bill (H. Doc. No. 699); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

19. A letter from the Secretary of War, transmitting report of Gen. George H. Wood, president of the Board of Managers, National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers (H. Doc. No. 700); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

20. A letter from the Secretary of War, transmitting information for quartering officers and enlisted men of the Army (H.



Doc. No. 701); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

21. A letter from the Secretary of the Department of the Interior, transmitting a statement regarding the increase in compensation paid employees of the Alaskan Engineering Commission at Washington, D. C., and Seattle, Wash. (H. Doc. No. 702); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

22. A letter from the Acting Secretary of Commerce, transmitting a communication from the Director of the Bureau of Standards transmitting a petition for an increase in pay to fireman in the Bureau of Standards (H. Doc. No. 703); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

23. A letter from the Secretary of Commerce, transmitting items in the estimates of appropriations for the Lighthouse Service for the fiscal year 1919, which have not been authorized by Congress, and to request that the necessary authority therefor be enacted into law (H. Doc. No. 704); to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce and ordered to be printed.

24. A letter from the Secretary of the Navy, transmitting tentative draft of a bill to authorize the President to temporarily reduce the course of instruction at the United States Naval Academy (H. Doc. No. 705); to the Committee on Naval Affairs and ordered to be printed.

25. A letter from the Secretary of the Navy, transmitting detailed statement of expenditures under the contingent appropriations for the Navy Department for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1917 (H. Doc. No. 706); to the Committee on Expenditures in the Navy Department and ordered to be printed.

26. A letter from the Secretary of War, transmitting statements submitted by the Chief of Ordnance, United States Army, of the expenditures and allotment costs of arms, components of arms and appendages fabricated, altered, and repaired during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1917 (H. Doc. No. 707); to the Committee on Expenditures in the War Department and ordered to be printed.

27. A letter from the Secretary of War, transmitting a statement showing the total appropriations made for the War Department under this act, the total withdrawals from the Treasury during the period from June 15 to November 30, 1917, inclusive, and the balances remaining in the Treasury under these appropriations on November 30, 1917 (H. Doc. No. 708); to the Committee on Expenditures in the War Department and ordered to be printed.

28. A letter from the Secretary of War, transmitting statements submitted by the Chief of Ordnance, United States Army, of the costs of all type and experimental manufacture of guns and other articles, and the average cost of the several classes of guns and other articles manufactured by the Government at the several arsenals (except Springfield Armory) during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1917 (H. Doc. No. 709); to the Committee on Expenditures in the War Department and ordered to be printed.

29. A letter from the Secretary of War, transmitting a letter from the Chief of Engineers, United States Army, with report of the officer in charge of the miscellaneous civil section on encroachments and obstructions in the Chicago River and encroachments on the Chicago lake front (H. Doc. No. 710); to the Committee on Rivers and Harbors and ordered to be printed, with illustrations.

30. A letter from the Secretary of the Navy, transmitting the number of professors and instructors employed at the Naval Academy paid from the lump sum of appropriation and the amount of compensation prescribed for each (H. Doc. No. 711); to the Committee on Naval Affairs and ordered to be printed.

31. A letter from the Secretary of War, transmitting a statement showing in detail what officers or employees of the War Department have traveled on official business from Washington to points outside of the District of Columbia during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1917 (H. Doc. No. 712); to the Committee on Expenditures in the War Department and ordered to be printed.

32. A letter from the chief clerk of the Court of Claims, transmitting a copy of the findings of the court in the case of Cincinnati, Pomeroy & Charleston Packet Co. v. The United States (H. Doc. No. 713); to the Committee on Claims and ordered to be printed.

33. A letter from the Commissioner of the Federal Farm Loan Bureau, transmitting first annual report of the operations of the Federal Farm Loan Board (H. Doc. No. 714); to the Committee on Banking and Currency and ordered to be printed with illustrations.

34. A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting copy of a communication from the Secretary of the Interior submitting a proposed clause of legislation for inclusion in the urgent deficiency bill (H. Doc. No. 715); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

35. A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting copy of a communication from the Secretary of War submitting a supplemental estimate of appropriation required by the Engineer Department of the Army for construction of seacoast batteries, Philippine Islands, for the fiscal year 1918 (H. Doc. No. 716); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

36. A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting deficiency estimate of appropriation required by the United States Public Health Service for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1918 (H. Doc. No. 717); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

37. A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting copy of a communication from the Secretary of War submitting supplemental estimate of appropriations required by the War Department for the service of the fiscal year 1918 (H. Doc. No. 718); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

38. A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting copy of a communication from the Assistant Secretary of Labor submitting supplemental estimates of appropriations required by the Department of Labor for the United States Employment Service for the fiscal year 1918 (H. Doc. No. 719); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

39. A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting supplemental estimates of appropriations urgently required for the service of the Treasury Department for the fiscal year 1918 (H. Doc. No. 720); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

40. A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting copies of communications from the Secretary of the Interior submitting supplemental estimates of appropriations for the service of the Interior Department for the fiscal year 1918 (H. Doc. No. 721); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

41. A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting an estimate for an additional clerk of class 1 in the Section of Security Bonds of this department, supplementing the estimates for this section on pages 38 and 39 of the printed Estimates of Appropriations for the fiscal year 1919 (H. Doc. No. 723); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

42. A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting a supplemental estimate in the amount of \$600, covering the remainder of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1918, for an additional clerk of class 1 in the Section of Surety Bonds of this department, the services of this employee to become effective as of January 1, 1918 (H. Doc. No. 724); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

43. A letter from the Secretary of War, transmitting information relating to the land, buildings, and other facilities now available or to be required for the accommodation of airships and other aerial machines to be used in connection with the seacoast defenses of the continental United States, the insular possessions, and the Panama Canal (H. Doc. No. 725); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

44. A letter from the Secretary of War, transmitting, with a letter from the Chief of Engineers, reports on preliminary examination and survey of Pamlico and Tar Rivers, N. C., with a view to providing a channel depth of 11 or 12 feet, respectively, with adequate widths at and below Washington, and such additional depth and width as may be advisable up to Tarboro (H. Doc. No. 726); to the Committee on Rivers and Harbors and ordered to be printed.

45. A letter from the Secretary of War, transmitting, with a letter from the Chief of Engineers, report on preliminary examination of inland waterway on the Atlantic coast of the State of New Jersey between Cape May and New York Bay, N. Y. and N. J. (H. Doc. No. 727); to the Committee on Rivers and Harbors and ordered to be printed.

46. A letter from the Secretary of War, transmitting, with a letter from the Chief of Engineers, reports on preliminary examination and survey of Hackensack River, N. J., with a view to obtaining a depth of 16 feet up to the Central Railroad Co. of New Jersey bridge; and reports on preliminary examination of Hackensack River, N. J., from the New York, Susquehanna Water Co. dam at New Milford, and over Overpeck Creek, N. J., from Little Ferry to Leonia (H. Doc. No. 728); to the Committee on Rivers and Harbors and ordered to be printed.

47. A letter from the Secretary of War, transmitting, with a letter from the Chief of Engineers, report on preliminary examination of One Mile Creek and Bayou Marmotte, Ala. (H. Doc. No. 729); to the Committee on Rivers and Harbors and ordered to be printed.

48. A letter from the Secretary of War, transmitting, with a letter from the Chief of Engineers, report on preliminary examination of Hoquarten Slough, Oreg., from Tillamook City to

head of navigation on Tillamook Bay, to provide for a straight channel (H. Doc. No. 730); to the Committee on Rivers and Harbors and ordered to be printed.

49. A letter from the Secretary of War, transmitting, with a letter from the Chief of Engineers, report on preliminary examination of Kings Creek, Camden County, Ga. (H. Doc. No. 731); to the Committee on Rivers and Harbors and ordered to be printed.

50. A letter from the Secretary of War, transmitting list of claims against the United States for services, losses, damages, etc. (H. Doc. No. 732); to the Committee on Claims and ordered to be printed.

51. A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting copy of a communication from the Secretary of War submitting a supplemental estimate of appropriation required by the War Department to provide for the acquisition of land and erection of temporary office buildings for the use of the War Department for the fiscal year 1918 (H. Doc. No. 733); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

52. A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting copy of a communication from the Secretary of War submitting a supplemental estimate of appropriation required by the War Department for the fiscal year 1919 (H. Doc. No. 734); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

53. A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting copy of a communication from the Chief of the Bureau of Efficiency submitting a supplemental estimate of appropriation for the fiscal year 1918 (H. Doc. No. 735); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

54. A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting copy of a communication from the Secretary of the Navy submitting a supplemental estimate of appropriations for current and miscellaneous expenses of the Naval Academy for the fiscal year 1919 (H. Doc. No. 736); to the Committee on Naval Affairs and ordered to be printed.

55. A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting copy of a communication from the Assistant Secretary of Labor submitting a supplemental estimate of appropriation for salaries and expenses of the United States Employment Service for the fiscal year 1919 (H. Doc. No. 737); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

56. A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting copy of a communication from the Secretary of the Interior submitting a supplemental estimate of appropriation required by the Bureau of Mines for the fiscal year 1919 (H. Doc. No. 738); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

#### CHANGE OF REFERENCE.

Under clause 2 of Rule XXII, the Committee on Claims was discharged from the consideration of the bill (H. R. 7663) for the relief of J. C. McConnell, and the same was referred to the Committee on War Claims.

#### PUBLIC BILLS, RESOLUTIONS, AND MEMORIALS.

Under clause 3 of Rule XXII, bills, resolutions, and memorials were introduced and severally referred as follows:

By Mr. ANDERSON: A bill (H. R. 7994) to amend section 5 of an act entitled "An act to provide further for the national security and defense by encouraging the production, conserving the supply, and controlling the distribution of food products and fuel," approved August 10, 1917; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. CLARK of Pennsylvania: A bill (H. R. 7995) for the repair, preservation, care, and future maintenance of the restored historical naval brig *Niagara*, Commodore Oliver Hazard Perry's flagship in the Battle of Lake Erie; to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

By Mr. TREADWAY: A bill (H. R. 7996) to amend section 1100 of the act approved October 3, 1917, entitled "An act to defray war expenses, and for other purposes," in order to extend free postage to all soldiers, sailors, and marines in the service of the United States; to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

By Mr. OLDFIELD: A bill (H. R. 7997) authorizing the Secretary of War to grant permission for utilization of water power at locks and dams constructed by the Government on navigable rivers of the United States; to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

By Mr. COPLEY: A bill (H. R. 7998) granting the consent of Congress to the village of East Dundee and the village of West Dundee to construct a bridge across the Fox River; to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

By Mr. RANDALL: A bill (H. R. 7999) to establish rates of pensions; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. ANDERSON: A bill (H. R. 8000) to amend part B of the act entitled "An act making appropriations for the Department of Agriculture for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1917, and for other purposes," approved August 11, 1916, known as the United States grain-standards act; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. RAMSEYER: A bill (H. R. 8001) providing for the registration of all male persons of the United States between the ages of 16 and 60 years, both inclusive, for industrial and military service during the present war and for one year thereafter; to prevent idleness; for the assignment of all able-bodied male persons between the ages of 18 and 60 years, both inclusive, to labor in some industry, business, trade, or profession essential to the maintenance of the military establishment and necessary to the protection and welfare of the people of the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota (by request): A bill (H. R. 8002) to establish a Government experiment integral of industries; to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

By Mr. PARKER of New Jersey: A bill (H. R. 8003) further to amend an act approved June 29, 1906, known as the naturalization law and to bar from naturalization any person claiming exemption from military service by reason of not being a citizen; to the Committee on Immigration and Naturalization.

By Mr. KINKAID: A bill (H. R. 8004) authorizing the resurvey or retracement of lands heretofore returned as surveyed public lands of the United States under certain conditions; to the Committee on the Public Lands.

By Mr. PARKER of New Jersey: A bill (H. R. 8005) to amend an act entitled "An act to regulate the construction of dams across navigable waters," approved June 21, 1906, as amended by the act approved June 23, 1910; to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

By Mr. HAWLEY: A bill (H. R. 8006) to amend an act entitled "An act to pension the survivors of certain Indian wars from January 1, 1859, to January, 1891, inclusive, and for other purposes"; to the Committee on Pensions.

By Mr. CLARK of Florida: A bill (H. R. 8007) to regulate salutes in the Army of the United States; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. LAZARO: A bill (H. R. 8008) to establish a fish-cultural station at some point in the State of Louisiana; to the Committee on the Merchant Marine and Fisheries.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8009) to provide a site and erect a public building at De Ridder, La.; to the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8010) to investigate the condition of Indians living in Louisiana; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Mr. BORLAND: A bill (H. R. 8011) to be known as the Daughters of the American Revolution old trails act, to provide a national ocean-to-ocean highway over the pioneer trails of the Nation; to the Committee on Roads.

By Mr. McKEOWN: A bill (H. R. 8012) making it unlawful to willfully overcharge for goods, wares, and merchandise sold to persons in the military service of the United States and providing punishment for the same; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. RAKER: A bill (H. R. 8013) to amend section 9 of the act of Congress of August 13, 1914, entitled "An act extending the period of payment under reclamation projects, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Irrigation of Arid Lands.

By Mr. DENT: A bill (H. R. 8014) to amend section 11 of "An act for making further and more effectual provision for the national defense, and for other purposes," approved June 3, 1916; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. EVANS: A bill (H. R. 8015) for furnishing water supply for miscellaneous purposes in connection with reclamation projects; to the Committee on Irrigation of Arid Lands.

By Mr. DENT: A bill (H. R. 8016) to authorize the Secretary of War to provide and issue distinctive buttons or badges to men drafted or volunteering for enlistment in the military forces who are exempted or rejected, and to provide a penalty for unlawfully wearing, procuring, or manufacturing the same; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. McKEOWN: A bill (H. R. 8017) providing for the execution of power of attorney for persons in the military service of the United States, making provision for execution of bond by the agent, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. HILLIARD: Concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 30) granting authority to the Director General of Transportation and the Fuel Administrator to provide transportation facilities to coal fields of Colorado; to the Committee on Military Affairs.



By Mr. BORLAND: Joint resolution (H. J. Res. 203) for the purpose of promoting efficiency, for the utilization of the resources and industries of the United States, for lessening the expenses of the war, and restoring the loss caused by the war by providing for the employment of a discovery or invention called the "Perrigo," claiming to make possible the utilization of free energy; to the Committee on Patents.

By Mr. CLARK of Florida: Resolution (H. Res. 208) for appointment of a committee to investigate and report upon the advisability of the Government owning and operating certain public utilities in the District of Columbia; to the Committee on Rules.

#### PRIVATE BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Under clause 1 of Rule XXII, private bills and resolutions were introduced and severally referred as follows:

By Mr. ANDERSON: A bill (H. R. 8018) granting a pension to Mary E. O'Reilly; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8019) granting a pension to Christ Clausen; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8020) granting a pension to Horatio N. Carlton; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8021) granting an increase of pension to David D. Bryant; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8022) granting an increase of pension to Morgan W. Mills; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8023) for the relief of Benjamin F. Dayton; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8024) for the relief of George W. Bryant; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. AYRES: A bill (H. R. 8025) granting an increase of pension to George H. Fuller; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8026) granting an increase of pension to James Rutledge; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. CAMPBELL of Kansas: A bill (H. R. 8027) granting an increase of pension to Nathaniel Trueblood; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8028) granting an increase of pension to David S. Toland; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8029) granting an increase of pension to John William Farrell; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8030) granting a pension to Sarah J. Latta; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8031) granting an increase of pension to John T. Cannon; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. CARLIN: A bill (H. R. 8032) relating to the option to purchase and to the sale and conveyance of a tract or parcel of land containing forty-six and fifty-seven one hundredths acres, more or less, situated below and to the east of the mean high water line of the Potomac River in the Battery Cove, at the city of Alexandria, Virginia, made in the course of river and harbor improvements upon the submerged soil of the Potomac River; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. CLARK of Missouri: A bill (H. R. 8033) for the relief of John M. Daniel; to the Committee on War Claims.

By Mr. CRAGO: A bill (H. R. 8034) granting a pension to John Avery; to the Committee on Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8035) granting an increase of pension to James Lynch, late a member of the United States Marine Corps; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8036) for the relief of Aaron Schmulovitz; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. DICKINSON: A bill (H. R. 8037) granting an increase of pension to Merit L. Williams; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8038) granting an increase of pension to James M. Turley; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. DOWELL: A bill (H. R. 8039) granting a pension to Oliver P. Jackson; to the Committee on Pensions.

By Mr. ELLIOTT: A bill (H. R. 8040) granting an increase of pension to William A. Robson; to the Committee on Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8041) granting an increase of pension to John J. Nofstinger; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. ELSTON: A bill (H. R. 8042) granting an increase of pension to Charles M. Kell; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. FOCHT: A bill (H. R. 8043) granting a pension to John F. De Wire; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8044) granting a pension to Mary E. Roland; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8045) granting a pension to Mary H. Staley; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8046) granting a pension to Lucien W. Sieber; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8047) granting a pension to Isaac Wise; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8048) granting a pension to Sarah E. Hood; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8049) granting a pension to Sadie M. Doan; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8050) granting an increase of pension to Abraham Boudier; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8051) granting an increase of pension to John H. Condon; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8052) granting an increase of pension to Daniel Gossert; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8053) granting an increase of pension to William Hockenbrought; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8054) granting an increase of pension to Samuel Hess; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8055) granting an increase of pension to Henry S. Rider; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8056) granting an increase of pension to Martin L. Rex; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8057) granting an increase of pension to George Rhule; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8058) granting an increase of pension to Amos M. Stroh; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8059) granting an increase of pension to Henry C. Wolfe; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8060) granting an increase of pension to William J. Shirley; to the Committee on Pensions.

By Mr. FREAR: A bill (H. R. 8061) granting a pension to Emily Ballard; to the Committee on Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8062) for the relief of Joseph Vermilyea; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. FRENCH: A bill (H. R. 8063) for the relief of Andrew West, Charles Stroble, Mollie Hanson, and John Dodson; to the Committee on the Public Lands.

By Mr. HAMLIN: A bill (H. R. 8064) granting an increase of pension to Charles L. McClure; to the Committee on Pensions.

By Mr. HARDY: A bill (H. R. 8065) granting a pension to Esther Penick; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. HILLIARD: A bill (H. R. 8066) granting a pension to Thomas Daigle; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8067) granting a pension to Martin O. Larsen; to the Committee on Pensions.

By Mr. JACOWAY: A bill (H. R. 8068) for the relief of H. L. McFarlin; to the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. KEHOE: A bill (H. R. 8069) for the relief of the Southern States Lumber Co.; to the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. KINKAID: A bill (H. R. 8070) granting an increase of pension to John Hubby; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. LAZARO: A bill (H. R. 8071) granting a pension to Henry P. Nicholas; to the Committee on Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8072) granting a pension to Richard Thrash; to the Committee on Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8073) granting an increase of pension to Richard S. Harrison; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8074) for the relief of the heirs or legal representatives of Eugene Sennette, deceased; to the Committee on War Claims.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8075) for the relief of Arthur J. Coney, sole heir of J. J. Coney, deceased; to the Committee on War Claims.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8076) for the relief of estate of Joseph Block; to the Committee on War Claims.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8077) to reimburse the postmaster at Bayou Chicot, La., for money taken by burglars; to the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. LONGWORTH: A bill (H. R. 8078) granting a pension to Thomas Pryor; to the Committee on Pensions.

By Mr. McFADDEN: A bill (H. R. 8079) granting an increase of pension to Clark E. Frear; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8080) granting an increase of pension to William Sollars; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. McKINLEY: A bill (H. R. 8081) granting a pension to Reuben I. Seibert; to the Committee on Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8082) granting an increase of pension to John W. Stockwills; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. MONTAGUE: A bill (H. R. 8083) for the relief of the owners of the British steamship *Clearpool*; to the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. MOTT: A bill (H. R. 8084) to carry out the findings of the Court of Claims in the case of the Commercial Pacific Cable Co.; to the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. OVERMYER: A bill (H. R. 8085) making appropriation for payment of balances due by readjustment of salaries of postmasters under existing law; to the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. PURNELL: A bill (H. R. 8086) granting a pension to Nancy J. Crum; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8087) granting a pension to John Hannon; to the Committee on Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8088) granting a pension to Daisy May Lebo; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8089) granting a pension to Serena E. Redden; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8090) granting a pension to Thomas Jones; to the Committee on Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8091) granting a pension to Sarah E. Mathis; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8092) granting a pension to Amanda L. Townsend; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8093) granting an increase of pension to Oren M. Harlan; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8094) granting an increase of pension to Leonard Burton; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8095) granting an increase of pension to Lauren W. Case; to the Committee on Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8096) granting an increase of pension to Jacob M. Willhite; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8097) granting an increase of pension to Mary E. Watson; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8098) granting an increase of pension to Francis M. Harrell; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8099) granting an increase of pension to George Wilkins; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8100) granting an increase of pension to Sarah M. Brown; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8101) granting an increase of pension to Lemuel J. Orwig; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8102) granting an increase of pension to Adam B. Shepherd; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8103) granting an increase of pension to Abraham E. Curlee; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8104) granting an increase of pension to Milton S. Davenport; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8105) granting an increase of pension to Eliza A. Hesler; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8106) granting an increase of pension to Perry Harrell; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8107) granting an increase of pension to Jacob Hesler; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8108) granting an increase of pension to James H. Perrin; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8109) granting an increase of pension to John Maxwell; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8110) granting an increase of pension to Henry Richardson; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8111) granting an increase of pension to James N. Beasley; to the Committee on Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8112) granting an increase of pension to Oliver Boord; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8113) granting an increase of pension to Joseph T. Earl; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8114) granting an increase of pension to Richard L. Rusk; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8115) granting an increase of pension to Theodore R. Harbaugh; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8116) granting an increase of pension to Richard Renick; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8117) for the relief of Ambrose D. Hunt; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. RAKER: A bill (H. R. 8118) for the relief of Moses Boire; to the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. RAMSEYER: A bill (H. R. 8119) granting a pension to Edna G. Costlow; to the Committee on Pensions.

By Mr. RANDALL: A bill (H. R. 8120) granting a pension to Hannah Lane; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8121) granting a pension to Nellie M. Beals; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. RODENBERG: A bill (H. R. 8122) granting a pension to J. W. Smith; to the Committee on Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8123) granting a pension to Allice L. Enloe; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8124) granting an increase of pension to George W. Grigg; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8125) for the relief of James W. Kingon; to the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. SHERWOOD: A bill (H. R. 8126) granting a pension to Sommers J. Love; to the Committee on Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8127) granting a pension to Franklin C. Weaver; to the Committee on Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8128) granting an increase of pension to John Foster; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. SHOUSE: A bill (H. R. 8129) granting a pension to John W. Garten; to the Committee on Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8130) granting a pension to Mary Wilkin-son; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8131) granting an increase of pension to James M. Hummer; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8132) granting an increase of pension to Othello A. Sherman; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8133) granting an increase of pension to William S. Evans; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8134) granting an increase of pension to John M. G. Maver; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8135) granting an increase of pension to John Bishop; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8136) granting an increase of pension to John Van Schoyck; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. SMITH of Idaho: A bill (H. R. 8137) granting an in-crease of pension to Gustavus Odor; to the Committee on In- valid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8138) for the relief of the heirs of Oliver P. Phillips; to the Committee on War Claims.

By Mr. STEPHENS of Mississippi: A bill (H. R. 8139) to reimburse Brig. Gen. Littleton W. T. Waller; to the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. TEMPLETON: A bill (H. R. 8140) granting an in-crease of pension to James W. Moore; to the Committee on In- valid Pensions.

By Mr. TILLMAN: A bill (H. R. 8141) granting a pension to W. G. Mhoon; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8142) granting a pension to Lee Allen; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8143) granting an increase of pension to Wilson H. McKinney; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8144) granting an increase of pension to John Cavin; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8145) granting an increase of pension to Ahi S. Loudermilk; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8146) for the relief of Absalom C. Phillips; to the Committee on War Claims.

By Mr. TINKHAM: A bill (H. R. 8147) to establish the citi-zenship of Matilda Alexandra Fraser; to the Committee on Im- migration and Naturalization.

By Mr. VESTAL: A bill (H. R. 8148) granting an increase of pension to Barney Everett; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8149) granting an increase of pension to Maria Sibbach; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8150) granting an increase of pension to Frank C. McGrath; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8151) granting a pension to Gilbert Adams; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8152) granting an increase of pension to Prear Daniel; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8153) granting an increase of pension to Isaac J. Byers; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8154) granting an increase of pension to George Garrard; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8155) granting an increase of pension to Jacob P. Ellis; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. WHEELER: A bill (H. R. 8156) granting an increase of pension to John H. Catherwood; to the Committee on Pen- sions.

By Mr. WILLIAMS: A bill (H. R. 8157) granting an increase of pension to Henry C. McMullen; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8158) granting an increase of pension to Nicholas Eastin; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8159) granting a pension to Robert T. Bland; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. WOOD of Indiana: A bill (H. R. 8160) granting a pension to Karoline Ullman; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8161) granting a pension to Mary Rey- nolds; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8162) granting an increase of pension to Richard Kolb; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8163) granting an increase of pension to Solomon Stone; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8164) granting an increase of pension to John Toliver; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 8165) granting an increase of pension to Andrew C. McCorkle; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. WOODS of Iowa: A bill (H. R. 8166) granting an in-crease of pension to Mrs. Mary Murphy; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.



Also, a bill (H. R. 8167) granting an increase of pension to John Lattimore; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. CLARK of Missouri: Resolution (H. Res. 209) to pay to Mary E. Cook, daughter of Leonard B. Cook, late House employee, a sum equal to six months' compensation and \$250 to defray funeral expenses of said Leonard B. Cook; to the Committee on Accounts.

#### PETITIONS, ETC.

Under clause 1 of Rule XXII, petitions and papers were laid on the Clerk's desk and referred as follows:

By the SPEAKER (by request): Petitions of sundry citizens of Arkansas, Colorado, Illinois, Kansas, Kentucky, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, New York, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Texas, Virginia, West Virginia, and Wisconsin, urging the passage of the Moore Purple Cross bill or the Wolcott Purple Cross bill; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also (by request), resolution of the United Improvement Association, of Los Angeles, Cal., urging measures of conservation and other measures for winning the war; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also (by request), resolution of the Common Council of Utica, N. Y., urging a law imposing punishment upon all persons or organizations responsible for pro-German activities; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also (by request), petition of R. A. Taylor and 78 other Federal employees of the Department of Agriculture, at the St. Joseph, Mo., station, praying for an increase in salaries commensurate with the increase in the cost of living; to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also (by request), resolutions adopted by a meeting held at Washington Restaurant, Newark, N. J., December 12, 1917, urging the submission of the Federal suffrage amendment; to the Committee on Woman Suffrage.

Also (by request), resolution of Washington Secular League, Washington, D. C., favoring the suffrage amendment; to the Committee on Woman Suffrage.

By Mr. DALE of Vermont: Petition of Ralph O. Braman, of West Woodstock, Vt., favoring readjustment of fourth-class postmasters' compensation; to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

Also, petition of citizens of Greenboro Bend, Vt., favoring passage of the Randall bill for war prohibition of the liquor traffic; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. DALE of New York: Petition of American Federation of Labor, against increase in postage of second-class mail; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Also, petition of New York State Federation of Labor, favoring woman suffrage; to the Committee on Woman Suffrage.

Also, petitions of Perry Dame & Co., Lehman Bros., and A. E. Borie, of New York, favoring daylight-saving bill; to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

Also, petition of the Long Island Railroad Co., of New York, favoring bill to limit length of freight trains; to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

Also, memorial of the City of New York and The Bronx Board of Trade, against bill to discontinue pneumatic mail tube; to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

Also, memorial of Philadelphia Trade Press Club, against changing rates for carrying second-class mail; to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

By Mr. DOWELL: Memorial of the Federal Employees' Union No. 53, of Des Moines, Iowa, favoring increased salaries to postal employees; to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

By Mr. FOCHT: Evidence in support of House bill 7431, for the relief of Peter Belchler; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, evidence in support of House bill 7442, for the relief of Rev. A. L. Burket; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, evidence in support of House bill 7438, for the relief of Nathaniel S. Agnew; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, evidence in support of House bill 7416, for the relief of Christian Bechtel; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, evidence in support of House bill 7436, for the relief of Samuel F. Burns; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, evidence in support of House bill 7439, for the relief of Richard A. M. Harner; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, evidence in support of House bill 7434, for the relief of Thomas D. Hummel; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, evidence in support of House bill 7443, for the relief of Perry Jarrett; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, evidence in support of House bill 7444, for the relief of John C. Kuhn; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, evidence in support of House bill 7432, for the relief of John H. Martin; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, evidence in support of House bill 7443, for the relief of Levi R. Miller; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, evidence in support of House bill 7441, for the relief of William S. Nail; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, evidence in support of House bill 7447, for the relief of Daniel Pope; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, evidence in support of House bill 7450, for the relief of John E. Pierce; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, evidence in support of House bill 5505, for the relief of George A. Parks; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, evidence in support of House bill 7437, for the relief of Calvin M. Skinner; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, evidence in support of House bill 7451, for the relief of A. V. B. Souders; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, evidence in support of House bill 7433, for the relief of Henry Schrawder; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, evidence in support of House bill 7435, for the relief of David H. Walker; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, evidence in support of House bill 7448, for the relief of Riley R. Zerbe; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, evidence in support of House bill 7429, for the relief of Charles H. Birley; to the Committee on Pensions.

Also, evidence in support of House bill 7453, for the relief of John W. Ferguson; to the Committee on Pensions.

Also, evidence in support of House bill 7430, for the relief of William A. Ellis; to the Committee on Pensions.

Also, evidence in support of House bill 5509, for the relief of Ralph A. Finch; to the Committee on Pensions.

Also, evidence in support of House bill 7452, for the relief of George P. Vance; to the Committee on Pensions.

By Mr. FULLER of Illinois: Memorial of Interstate Sportsmen's Protective Association, against migratory-bird treaty bills; to the Committee on Agriculture.

Also, petition of American Numismatic Society, relative to valor medals and favoring House bill 6447; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, memorial of American Constitutional League, opposing woman suffrage; to the Committee on Woman Suffrage.

Also, memorial of Chicago Federation of Labor, favoring woman suffrage; to the Committee on Woman Suffrage.

Also, memorial of Streator (Ill.) Post, No. 68, Grand Army of the Republic, Department of Illinois, favoring \$50 per month pensions for Civil War veterans; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, petition of directors of the Illinois Manufacturers' Association, relative to operation of the railroads by the Government; to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

By Mr. GRAHAM of Illinois: Petition of John J. Foley and others, pharmacists of Moline and Rock Island, Ill., in behalf of House bill 5531, for the establishment of a pharmaceutical corps; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. HILLIARD: Evidence in support of bill for pension for Thomas Daigle; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, memorials of Bakery and Confectionery Workers' Union No. 26, Denver Pattern Makers' Association, and Operative Plasterers' International Union No. 32, all of Denver, Colo., urging the passage of House bill 1654, granting an increase in pay to post-office clerks and letter carriers; to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

Also, memorial of John S. Stewart Post No. 1, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, urging the immediate suppression of newspapers printed in the languages of our enemies; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. MOORE of Pennsylvania: Memorial of the Prison Reform League of Pennsylvania, favoring congressional investigation of the conditions of Occoquan Workhouse and the District of Columbia Jail; to the Committee on Rules.

Also, memorial of Philadelphia Board of Trade, favoring central expenditures committee; to the Committee on Rules.

By Mr. RAKER: Petition of Charles A. Dufour, secretary Branch No. 133, N. A. L. G., Sacramento, Cal., asking higher salaries for letter carriers; to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

Also, memorial of Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Davis, Cal., indorsing national prohibition; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Also, memorial of Eben Taplin Grand Army of the Republic Post, No. 184, of Corning, Cal., indorsing increase in allowance of pensioners; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, petition of George Barr McCutcheon, of New York, against increase in postage on second-class matter; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Also, memorial of National Council of American Cotton Manufacturers, urging development of American foreign trade; to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

By Mr. RANDALL: Memorial of Van Nuys Woman's Club, of Van Nuys, Cal., recommending early passage of the Susan B. Anthony amendment, in order that womanhood may cooperate in carrying on and concluding the great war; to the Committee on Woman Suffrage.

Also, memorial of Central Labor Council of Los Angeles, protesting against present low salaries and unfavorable working conditions of postal employees, and urging investigation by Congress of eight enumerated items of injustice practiced against such employees; to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

Also, memorial of South Side Ebell Club, of Los Angeles, favoring adoption of Susan B. Anthony suffrage amendment to the Constitution; to the Committee on Woman Suffrage.

Also, memorial of Los Angeles District, California Federation of Women's Clubs, urging the passage of the Susan B. Anthony amendment for woman suffrage; to the Committee on Woman Suffrage.

Also, memorial of Chamber of Commerce, Santa Barbara, Cal., indorsing military highway from Blaine, Wash., to San Diego, Cal.; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, memorial of Long Beach Post, No. 181, Grand Army of the Republic, Long Beach, Cal., asking Congress to increase to \$50 per month pensions of its members and all veterans of the Civil War on account of the present high cost of living; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, memorial of Pomona Ebell Club, Pomona, Cal., favoring the Susan B. Anthony amendment for woman suffrage as a war-emergency measure, in order that womanhood of America may more fully cooperate in carrying on and concluding the great war; to the Committee on Woman Suffrage.

Also, memorial of Holt Post, No. 403, Grand Army of the Republic, Fredonia, N. Y., asking that all pensions of veterans of the Civil War be increased to \$50 per month during the present high cost of living; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, petition of sundry citizens of Covina, Cal., asking for complete prohibition of manufacture and sale of intoxicants during the war; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Also, petition of members of Auxiliary No. 52, National Association of Letter Carriers, Los Angeles, asking for a fair living wage and better working conditions for letter carriers; to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

Also, memorial of Bartlett-Logan Post, Grand Army of the Republic, of Los Angeles, praying for increased allowance of pensions to continue during the prevalence of the high cost of living; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, memorial of California Federation of Women's Clubs, recommending early passage of Susan B. Anthony suffrage amendment; to the Committee on Woman Suffrage.

Also, memorial of Los Angeles Branch, National Association of Letter Carriers; Railway Mail Association; United National Association of Post Office Clerks; and State Association of Rural Letter Carriers, stating that present salaries of postal employees are entirely inadequate to meet the high cost of living, and urging legislation which will bring about improved conditions; to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

Also, petition of Central Woman's Christian Temperance Union, of Pasadena, Cal., asking for complete prohibition of manufacture and sale of intoxicants, including whisky, beer, and wine, during the war; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Also, memorial of Friday Morning Club of Los Angeles indorsing the Susan B. Anthony amendment and recommending its early passage by the Sixty-fifth Congress as a war emergency measure in order that the womanhood of America may more fully cooperate in the efficient carrying on and concluding of the great war our Nation is engaged in; to the Committee on Woman Suffrage.

## SENATE.

FRIDAY, January 4, 1918.

The Chaplain, Rev. Forrest J. Prettyman, D. D., offered the following prayer:

Almighty God, we come before Thee seeking Thy blessing for this day's service—a day laden with momentous issues and responsibilities that we dare not face alone. We ask Thy blessing upon us. We pray that Thou wilt bless our allies, who with us are lovers of peace, but who love justice and freedom more. We pray Thee to give success to their arms, and we pray that Thou wilt give unity of counsel to all who are gathered together in a mighty array of strength against an organization of ill

will against the rest of the world. Give success, we pray Thee, to all our endeavors to establish again a brotherhood of nations in the earth. For Christ's sake. Amen.

The Journal of yesterday's proceedings was read and approved.

### ARMY QUARTERS (H. DOC. NO. 701).

The VICE PRESIDENT laid before the Senate a communication from the Secretary of War, stating that, due to our entrance into the European war, it has been impracticable to spare from their duties the necessary officers to make the detailed plans and estimates called for by the act approved June 12, 1917, relative to the most desirable method for quartering officers and enlisted men of the Army, etc., which was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs and ordered to be printed.

### ACCOMMODATIONS FOR AIRCRAFT (H. DOC. NO. 725.)

The VICE PRESIDENT laid before the Senate a communication from the Secretary of War, transmitting, pursuant to law, certain information relating to the land, buildings, and other facilities now available or to be acquired for the accommodation of airships and other aerial machines to be used in connection with the sea-coast defense of the continental United States, the insular possessions, and the Panama Canal, which, with the accompanying paper, was referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

### TRAVEL OF EMPLOYEES OF WAR DEPARTMENT (H. DOC. NO. 712).

The VICE PRESIDENT laid before the Senate a communication from the Secretary of War, transmitting, pursuant to law, a statement showing the travel in detail of officers and employees of the War Department on official business from Washington to points outside of the District of Columbia, which, with the accompanying paper, was referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

### ALASKAN ENGINEERING COMMISSION (H. DOC. NO. 702).

The VICE PRESIDENT laid before the Senate a communication from the Secretary of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, a statement relative to the increase in compensation paid employees of the Alaskan Engineering Commission, at Washington, D. C., and Seattle, Wash., which, with the accompanying paper, was referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

### SNOW AND ICE IN THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA (S. DOC. NO. 158.)

The VICE PRESIDENT laid before the Senate a communication from the Commissioners of the District of Columbia, transmitting, in response to a resolution of December 17, 1917, information relative to what measures have been taken for cleaning ice and snow from the sidewalks in the city of Washington, which was referred to the Committee on the District of Columbia and ordered to be printed.

### NELSON ERICKSON V. THE UNITED STATES (S. DOC. NO. 157).

The VICE PRESIDENT laid before the Senate a communication from the chief clerk of the Court of Claims, transmitting a certified copy of the findings of fact and conclusion filed by the court in the cause of Nelson Erickson v. The United States, which, with the accompanying paper, was referred to the Committee on Claims and ordered to be printed.

### DISPOSITION OF USELESS PAPERS.

The VICE PRESIDENT. The Chair lays before the Senate a communication from the Civil Service Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, schedules of useless papers and documents on the files of the commission and requesting action looking to their disposition. The communication and accompanying paper will be referred to the Joint Select Committee on the Disposition of Useless Papers in the Executive Departments, and the Chair appoints the Senator from Washington [Mr. JONES] and the Senator from New Hampshire [Mr. HOLLIS] the committee on the part of the Senate. The Secretary will notify the House of Representatives thereof.

### MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. G. F. Turner, one of its clerks, announced that the House had passed the following bill and joint resolution, in which it requested the concurrence of the Senate:

H. R. 7607. An act to authorize the calling into the service of the United States the militia and other locally created armed forces in the Philippine Islands, and for other purposes; and

H. J. Res. 195. Joint resolution amending the act entitled "An act to provide revenue to defray war expenses, and for other purposes," approved October 3, 1917, so as to subject to the war-excess-profits tax the compensation of officers and employees under the United States, including Members of Congress.

The message also announced that the House had passed a concurrent resolution providing that the two Houses of Congress